IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

JENNIFER LAFOREST,

Plaintiff,

VS.

CIV. NO. 17-828-SMV

NANCY A. BERRYHILL, Acting Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

ORDER

The Stipulation of Award of Attorney Fees Under the Equal Access to Justice Act, filed May 24, 2018 (Doc. 21), is **GRANTED**. In consideration thereof, if is **ORDERED** that Defendant pay to Plaintiff reasonable attorney fees in the amount of \$6,120.40. Payment shall be to the Plaintiff, but mailed to Plaintiff's counsel. In addition, if Plaintiff's counsel ultimately receives an award of attorney fees pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 406(b), he must refund the smaller award to Plaintiff pursuant to *Weakley v. Bowen*, 803 F.2d 575, 580 (10th Cir. 1986).

Dated: May 29, 2018.

STEPHAN M. VIDMAR

United States Magistrate Judge

Presiding by Consent

Respectfully submitted,

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